

State Board of Education

**June 16, 2009**

Item *T-11*

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
Montpelier, Vermont**

TEAM: Independent & Federal Programs

ITEM: Will the State Board of Education vote to approve the Ed-Flex Waiver - request for Washington West Supervisory Union?

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the State Board of Education vote to approve the Ed-Flex Waiver request for Washington West Supervisory Union.
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STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Ed-Flex Authority via *The Education Flexibility Partnership Act of 1999* – Vermont's authority under this act is still valid.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Title I of the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* requires LEAs to distribute Title I money among eligible Title I schools using a minimum of 125% per (poor) pupil if any school served has a student body with less than 35% poverty. Washington West requests a waiver of this requirement so as to serve an additional eligible school. Allowing this will ensure that Harwood Union High School receives and eligible high school students are served with Title I dollars which have increased in this supervisory union this year as a result of one time ARRA funding.

COST IMPLICATIONS:

No cost implication for the Department:  
None anticipated within the LEA

STAFF AVAILABLE: David Baroudi, 828-5156



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VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
2009 ED-FLEX WAIVER REQUEST FORM

LEA

School/Site

Person completing waiver

Date

A separate waiver request form must be completed for each waiver type sought. Please select the type of waiver.

- TYPE OF WAIVER REQUESTED
- ☐ Title I "no wide variance in poverty percentages" waiver
- ☐ PL 107-110, Title I, §1114(a)(1), Eligibility for Schoolwide Designation
- ☐ Other: If a Title I waiver, not checked above, is needed, call David Baroudi at 828-5156. For Title II waivers, not checked above, contact Carol Duley at 828-3843. For other waivers, contact Ed Haggett at 828-5400 for assistance
- ☐ Check here if this waiver request applies to a school identified for school improvement.
- Required Attachment
- Poverty Data Showing Schools within the LEA are all within 10% points of one another.  
(no file provided)
- Viable Schoolwide Plan  
(no file provided)

1. Describe why the waiver is needed:
- To request waiver of 125% Minimum per pupil allocation (T1) because all eligible schools are so closely delineated. We don't want to penalize schools espec with ARRA.
2. Describe the specific, measurable educational goals or objectives the applicant expects to achieve as a result of this waiver:
- Want to be able to distribute funds in order to serve the greatest number of poverty eligible students, including distribution to HS which has the greatest number of eligible students.
3. Describe how the public notice requirement was met, including how interested parties (e.g., teachers, parents, community members) were made aware of and were involved in developing the waiver request:
- LEA administration and school staff and administration support this waiver request. A community announcement can be made regarding the request and reasons for it.
4. Describe how progress in implementing the waiver will be measured:
- NA for this request

The waiver has been approved

☒ The waiver **has not** been approved

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